MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING ILLINOIS GAMING BOARD October 22, 2003 CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

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The Illinois Gaming Board ("Board") held its Regular Meeting on October 22, 2003 in the Auditorium on the 5th floor of the State of Illinois Building, Chicago, Illinois, pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/1 et seq.

The following Board Members were present: Chairman Elzie Higginbottom and Members Violet Clark and William Dugan. Member Gary Peterlin was present telephonically.

Chairman Higginbottom convened the October 22, 2003 Regular Meeting at 9:30 A.M. in the 3rd floor Board Conference Room. Member Clark moved that **pursuant to Section 2(c)**, **paragraphs (1), (11), (14) and (21) of the Open Meetings Act and Section 6(d) of the Riverboat Gambling Act, the Board retire to Closed Session to discuss the items listed under Closed Session on today's (October 22, 2003) agenda and relating to the following subject matters:**

- 1. Pending litigation and matters involving probable litigation;
- 2. Investigations concerning applicants and licensees;
- 3. Personnel matters; and
- 4. Closed session minutes.

Member Peterlin seconded the motion. The Board adopted the motion by unanimous consent and retired to closed session.

The Board convened its Open Session at 2:18 P.M. The following Board Members were present: Chairman Elzie Higginbottom and Members Violet Clark and William Dugan. Member Gary Peterlin was present telephonically. The speakerphone was audible to the audience.

Minutes

Member Clark moved that the Board approve the closed session minutes of its Regular Meeting of September 9, 2003 and the open session minutes of its Regular Meetings of August 12, 2003 and September 9, 2003. Member Dugan seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Chairman's Report

Chairman Higginbottom stated that the Board has begun taping its Closed session meetings. Chairman Higginbottom stated that effective January 1, 2004 all Boards and Commissions

would be required to tape their meetings. Chairman Higginbottom stated that the Illinois Gaming Board is committed to the intention of the Open Meetings Act. Chairman Higginbottom stated that the Board's Legal staff would keep all of the Closed session tapes in a secure location.

Chairman Higginbottom announced the end of a 75-day contract for retired employees, Allan McDonald and Mark Anderson. Chairman Higginbottom thanked Mr. McDonald and Mr. Anderson for their many years of service and wished them both the best as they move on toward their future endeavors.

Chairman Higginbottom announced that the Board would be taking action today to revise the Board's Code of Conduct. Chairman Higginbottom stated that the action is being taken to further ensure the integrity of the regulatory process. Chairman Higginbottom stated that the revised Code of Conduct holds the licensees to a higher standard and requires that the licensees play a greater role in the Code of Conduct process.

Chairman Higginbottom stated that he looked forward to the licensees' presentation updating the Board on their operational status. Chairman Higginbottom stated that the Board is very concerned about the loss of revenue, which would affect the treasury of the State of Illinois. Chairman Higginbottom stated that the some of the licensees have experienced a decline in their revenue and that the licensees would be working hard in cooperating with the Board in trying to regain lost revenue.

Administrator's Report

Interim Administrator Jeannette Tamayo stated that in an effort to make sure that the Board covers all issues and that everyone's time is most efficient, Staff would be proposing a meeting schedule for the Board to meet every two weeks. Interim Administrator Tamayo stated that the first week would be a telephonic Closed session only meeting and the next week would be both Closed and Open session.

Interim Administrator Tamayo stated that in terms of the items that were discussed today in Closed session, most of the items will be presented in Open Session. Interim Administrator stated that a number of items that were not discussed in Closed session, but would be discussed in Open session. Interim Administrator Tamayo stated that in terms of operations, Staff continues to address its number one concern of inadequate supervision at the riverboats in terms of staffing levels and trying to deal internally and externally with the budget and the ability to manage the budget.

Public Commentary

Anita Bedell, Executive Director, Illinois Church Action on alcohol & Addiction Problems was present to discuss 24-hour gambling and the negative impacts that it would have on the community and compulsive gamblers. Ms. Bedell provided the Board with newspaper clippings that illustrated the effects that gambling has on people who gamble for long hours.

Ms. Bedell urged the Board to leave in place the last "safeguard" against compulsive gambling and to deny the request for 24-hour gambling.

Kathy Gilroy, a member of the Northern Illinois Anti-Gambling Task Force, was present to discuss the practices of licensees that are not in the best interest of Illinois and its citizens. Ms. Gilroy stated that one of the reasons that Illinois introduced gambling and allowed dockside gambling was to capture gambling revenues that were flowing to border states. Ms. Gilroy stated that Harrah's Casino Joliet, which was granted a license by the State of Illinois to help solve that problem and keep the gambling revenues in Illinois, is actually encouraging those gambling revenues to go to their Indiana property. Mr. Gilroy provided the Board with several newspaper advertisements for Harrah's that exclude the Illinois property and only mention the Indiana property.

Ms. Gilroy expressed her concerns regarding how a casino is allowed to run a promotion when the ad says "pending regulatory approval." Ms. Gilroy asked if the licensee should wait to run a promotion until given approval. Ms. Gilroy questioned if casinos should be allowed to run promotions that she claimed attracted children. Ms. Gilroy stated that Grand Victoria Casino offers a free buffet to children, which she feels is a promotion to entice parents to bring their children to the casino.

Rev. Tom Grey, Executive Director, National Coalition Against Legalized Gambling was present to discuss the Board's role as regulators and the recent request by licensees to change their hours of operation. Mr. Grey stated that he expects the Board to look at the "bottom line" and the licensees reasoning to change their hours of operation. Mr. Grey urged the Board to look carefully at Casino Queen's request to increase its hours of operation to 24-hours. Mr. Grey asked that the Board weigh Casino Queen's request with the profitability of the product. Mr. Grey stated that the public has faith that the Board will continue to do a thorough job in weighing each of the requests that come in from the licensees.

Board Policy Items

LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS – Interim Administrator Tamayo stated that Staff was asked by the Governor's office to submit legislative proposals for their consideration for the Spring session. Interim Administrator Tamayo stated that Staff submitted proposals indicating that there would be discussions during the Board meeting to entertain if any of the Board members wanted to add to the proposals. Interim Administrator Tamayo stated that the proposals are the same ones that were presented in the previous years with the exception of one new proposal. Interim Administrator Tamayo stated that the new proposal is a request to permit the Board to make discretionary determinations of fitness when confronted with persons convicted more than 20 years ago of crimes involving dishonesty or moral turpitude.

Interim Administrator Tamayo briefed the Board and the public on the other legislative proposals that are being submitted again this year. Interim Administrator Tamayo asked the Board if they had any additional proposals for submission to the Governor's Office.

Member Peterlin stated that he previously talked about the opportunity for child support enforcement to be expanded into the gambling areas for people who are delinquent in paying child support. Member Peterlin stated that the Department of Revenue intercepts tax refunds from people who are delinquent in paying child support. Member Peterlin stated that he would like to propose that the winnings of those who owe child support could be intercepted. Member Peterlin stated that the technology and the information have to be available. Member Peterlin stated that some might say that this might deter people from gambling at a time when the industry is facing other challenges. Member Peterlin stated that people who owe child support are the type of patrons who shouldn't be gambling anyway. Member Peterlin stated that if that type of program could be implemented, it would be very beneficial to children who are owed child support.

CODE OF CONDUCT – Mike Fries, Acting Deputy Chief Legal Counsel, presented to the Board and the public revisions to the current Code of Conduct and proposed rule-making to add to the Code of Conduct. Mr. Fries stated that the revisions to the Code of Conduct and the rules are the direct product of a lot of input from Staff, Office of the Inspector General, and from the individual Members themselves. Mr. Fries stated that Staff believes that the new code provisions are in large part consistent with the former Code of Conduct and that the new provisions meet and or exceed the Governor's recent order concerning ethics. Mr. Fries stated that Staff is requesting that the Board adopt the new Code of Conduct and have it supercede all prior codes. Mr. Fries stated that Staff has proposed 10 new rules that correspond directly to the new code provisions and to the licensees, applicants, and affiliates. Mr. Fries stated that Staff is requesting that the Board authorize Staff to submit the new rules for First Notice Filing with the Secretary of State.

Upon diligent review and consideration, Member Clark moved that the Board adopt the Code of Conduct dated October 22, 2003 and to have it supersede all prior Codes of Conduct.

Further, Member Clark moved that the Code of Conduct shall be effective and binding upon all Board Members and employees of the Illinois Gaming Board as of November 3, 2003. Member Dugan seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Member Clark moved that the Board authorize staff to submit the following new rules for First Notice Filing with the Secretary of State upon final review and approval by the Administrator: 3000.1200, 3000.1205, 3000.1210, 3000.1215, 3000.1220, 3000.1225, 3000.1230, 3000.1235, 3000.1240, 3000.1245.

Further, Member Clark moved that the Board authorize staff to submit revisions to Board Rule 3000.100 Definitions to add "Conflict of Interest" for First Notice Filing with the Secretary of State upon final review and approval by the Administrator. Member Dugan seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

TICKET VOUCHERING RULES – CLARIFICATION OF RULES 3000.756(a) AND 3000.770(c) - Interim Administrator Tamayo stated that when the Board passed the Ticket Vouchering rules, Staff had initially listed the Self-Exclusion rules - 3000.756(a) and 3000.770(c) in their own category. Interim Administrator Tamayo stated that a question came up as to whether they were part of Ticket Vouchering or Self-Exclusion. Interim Administrator Tamayo stated that for purpose of clarification, Staff is requesting the Board to adopt a specific motion clarifying the two.

First and Second Notice having been properly filed in the Illinois Register, Member Clark moved that the Board adopt the revisions to Board Rules 3000.756(a) and 3000.770(c) and (e), filed with the Secretary of State, as part of the Board's ticket vouchering technology amendments. Member Dugan seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

2004 BOARD MEETING DATES - Member Clark moved that the board adopt the following dates for its regulatory meeting agenda for the calendar year 2004.

January 15, 2004 February 5, 2004 March 11, 2004 April 8, 2004 May 13, 2004 June 10, 2004 July 8, 2004 August 12, 2004 September 9, 2004 October 7, 2004 November 4, 2004 December 2, 2004

Further, Member Clark moved that the Board adopt the following dates for closed session telephonic meetings. No Board action will be taken at the telephonic meetings unless prior notice of Open Session is provided pursuant to the Open Meetings Act.

January 8, 2004 January 22, 2004 February 19, 2004 March 25, 2004 April 22, 2004 May 27, 2004 June 24, 2004 July 22, 2004 August 26, 2004 September 23, 2004 October 21, 2004

November 18, 2004 December 16, 2004

Member Dugan seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Owner Licensee Items

ALTON BELLE CASINO – OPERATIONAL CHANGE STATUS – Rich Laudon, General Manager, was present on behalf of Alton Belle Casino to provide the Board with the status of Alton's operational changes. Mr. Loudon briefed the Board on the continuing increase of competition from Missouri, personnel issues, training programs, vendors and suppliers, donations, and marketing.

EMPRESS CASINO – OPERATIONAL CHANGES – STATUS – Jeff Pfeiffer, Vice President and General Manager, was present to provide the Board with an update on Empress Casino's operational changes. Mr. Pfeiffer stated that a confidential update was submitted to Staff and the Board regarding Empress' operational changes. Mr. Pfeiffer briefed the Board with the status of Empress' personnel status and marketing efforts. Mr. Pfeiffer stated that Empress' efforts would remain directed towards maintaining a long-term financial viability of Empress Casino within the marketplace.

HARRAH'S CASINO, JOLIET – OPERATIONAL CHANGES – STATUS – Michael St. Pierre, General Manager, was present on behalf of Harrah's Casino Joliet to provide the Board with an update on Harrah's operational changes. Mr. St. Pierre stated that Harrah's provided Staff and the Board with confidential documents summarizing the changes made and an update on all operational changes since the last Board meeting (September 9, 2003). Mr. St. Pierre stated that Harrah's has no other material information to submit at this time.

HOLLYWOOD CASINO – OPERATIONAL CHANGES – STATUS – Rodney Phillipe, Attorney, was present on behalf of Hollywood Casino to provide the Board with an update on Hollywood's operational changes. Mr. Phillipe stated that since Hollywood's last update to the Board, there have been no material changes at the property. Mr. Phillipe stated that Hollywood met with Staff to discuss a recent request to increase Hollywood's weekend hours to 5:00 A.M.. Mr. Phillipe stated that during the meeting, Hollywood addressed many questions and concerns that Staff had.

PAR-A-DICE CASINO – OPERATIONAL CHANGES – STATUS – Chris Gibase, Vice President and General Manager, was present to provide the Board with an update on Par-A-Dice's operational changes. Mr. Gibase stated that Par-A-Dice submitted a confidential memorandum highlighting any operational changes. Mr. Gibase stated that Par-A-Dice has no significant changes since the last update at the September 9, 2003 Board meeting for public disclosure.

ALTON BELLE CASINO – LICENSE RENEWAL AND WAIVER OF TWO-MEETING RULE REQUEST – Mr. James Butler, Corporate Counselor, was present on behalf of Alton Belle Casino to seek renewal of its license. Mr. Butler requested that the Board waive the two-meeting rule and allow Alton to request final consideration at today's (October 22, 2003) meeting for renewal of Alton Belle Casino's license. Mr. Butler advised the Board that Alton Belle has worked diligently with Staff over the past several months. Mr. Butler stated Alton Belle Casino believes that it has complied with all information request deadlines imposed by Staff. Mr. Butler asked that the Board would charitably forgive Alton's inadvertent oversight. Mr. Butler stated that Alton has established internal procedures to ensure that they would not have to come before the Board again seeking a two-meeting rule waiver.

Member Clark moved that the Board waive the requirement of Board Rule 3000.105(e) and permit Alton Gaming Company d/b/a Alton Belle Casino to present for Board approval its request for license renewal. Member Dugan seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Rich Laudon, Vice President and General Manager, provided the Board with a brief presentation highlighting personnel, employee training, career growth, diversity training, gaming taxes to the City of Alton, suppliers, and community contributions and support.

Alton Mayor, Donald E. Sandage, was present to brief the Board on how Alton Belle Casino has helped to rejuvenate the community.

James Grey, President of the NAACP Alton Branch was present to speak on behalf of the African American community of Alton, Illinois, and Madison County. Mr. Grey stated that Alton Belle Casino brought employment opportunity to the community. Mr. Grey stated that Alton Belle Casino has joined in NAACP's efforts with the Stay in School Program and has supported all civic programs in the community of Alton. Mr. Grey stated that Alton and been a great asset to the community and the renewal of their license is needed.

Member Peterlin stated that, as it relates to purchasing from Illinois vendors, after reviewing the overall numbers in the report that Alton provided to the Board and Staff, he would like to see the number of Illinois vendors increase. Member Peterlin requested that at a later date, Alton Belle Casino share with Staff where there are deficiencies in the ability to purchase more from Illinois vendors.

Mr. Laudon stated that Alton would provide Staff and the Board with that information. Mr. Laudon stated that it is Alton's intent to continuously increase the amount of purchases from Illinois vendors.

Member Clark commended Alton Belle Casino for its work with the non for profit organizations and giving back to the community.

Based on a review of the staff's investigation and recommendation, Member Clark moved that the Board renew the Owner's License of Alton Gaming Company d/b/a Alton Belle Casino for a term of four years expiring October 2007. The Board also orders the following:

- 1. Until further notice, Alton Belle Casino must submit documentation to the Administrator, on a quarterly basis, which describes: (a) the training provided to all personnel, especially slot department and security personnel, hired during that quarter, (b) the discipline administered to all personnel, especially slot department and security personnel; and (c) the overall supervision of the slot department personnel by management.
- 2. The Compliance Manager will prepare quarterly reports and will submit the reports to the Administrator until corrected or token EGD's are no longer used by the Alton Belle.

Further, based on the staff's investigation and recommendation, Member Clark moved that the Board certify the position of Chairman of the Board as a Key Person of the licensee.

Further, based on the staff's investigation and recommendation, Member Clark moved that the Board certify and approve the following entity, positions and persons as Key Persons of the licensee:

- 1. Argosy Gaming Company;
- 2. President:
- 3. Director;
- 4. Regional Vice President of Operations North;
- 5. Vice President of Internal Audit:
- 6. Richard J. Glasier;
- 7. Brenda K. Bauer; and
- 8. Craig D. Robinson.

Member Dugan seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

CASINO QUEEN – REQUEST TO INCREASE HOURS OF OPERATION TO 24 HOURS – Jeff Watts, General Counsel, was present on behalf of Casino Queen to seek approval to increase its hours of operation to 24 hours.

Mike Gaughn, member of Board of Directors for Casino Queen, was present to express his views as to why Casino Queen's hours of operation should be increased to 24 hours per day.

Interim Administrator Tamayo stated that Staff has expressed to Casino Queen that the ability to staff the boats with two ten-hour shifts has been difficult. Interim Administrator Tamayo stated the Board does not have the staffing ability to accommodate three eight-hour shifts, which is what would have to be implemented in order to have 24-hour gaming at any facility. Interim Administrator Tamayo stated that another issue is whether or not this would be good policy. Interim Administrator stated that a volume of letters, expressing opposition to the increase of hours, was provided in the Board meeting packet. Interim Administrator Tamayo stated that Staff also received a volume of phone calls in opposition to 24-hour gaming.

Chairman Higginbottom stated that the Board has deliberated over Casino Queen's request to increase its hours to 24-hours per day and has taken seriously all of the comments and letters received regarding this issue.

Based on a review of staff's investigation and recommendation, Member Clark moved that the Board deny Casino Queen, Inc.'s request to increase hours of operation to 24 hours. Member Dugan seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

PAR-A-DICE CASINO – CHRISTOPHER R. GIBASE, VICE PRESIDENT AND GENERAL MANAGER – LEVEL ONE – Donna More, Attorney, and Christopher Gibase were present on behalf of Mr. Gibase to request approval as a Level One.

Based on a review of the staff's investigation and recommendation, Member Clark moved that **the Board approve Christopher R. Gibase as a Level 1 Occupational Licensee of Par-A-Dice Gaming Corporation.** Member Dugan seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

GRAND VICTORIA CASINO – VINCENT STOVALL, SURVEILLANCE MANAGER – LEVEL ONE – Donna More was present on behalf of Vincent Stovall to request approval as a Level One.

Based on a review of the staff's investigation and recommendation, Member Clark moved that the Board deny Vincent Stovall as a Level 1 Occupational Licensee of Elgin Riverboat Resorts.

Pursuant to Board Rule 3000.405, in the event that Vincent Stovall fails to make an appropriate and timely request for a hearing within 5 days of delivery of the written Notice of Denial, this action of the Board shall become the final action of the Board denying the application for a Level 1 Occupational License. Member Dugan seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

HARRAH'S ENTERTAINMENT, INC. – CAM M. COSTELLO, INTERNAL AUDIT MANAGER – KEY PERSON – Thomas A. Thanas, Attorney, was present on behalf Cam M. Costello to request approval as a Key Person.

Based on a review of the staff's investigation and recommendation, Member Clark moved that **the Board approve Cam M. Costello as a Key Person of Harrah's Entertainment, Inc.** Member Dugan seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Suppler Licensee Items

BALLY GAMING, INC. – LICENSE RENEWAL AND WAIVER OF TWO-MEETING RULE REQUEST – Corey Aronovitz was present on behalf of Bally Gaming, Inc. to request a waiver of the Two-Meeting Rule and to request license renwal.

Member Clark moved that the Board waive the requirement of Board Rule 3000.105(e) and permit Bally Gaming, Inc. to present for Board approval its request for license renewal. Member Dugan seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Based on the staff's investigation and recommendation, Member Clark moved that **the Board** approve the Supplier's license of Bally Gaming, Inc. for a term of 4 years expiring October 2007.

Further, based on the staff's investigation and recommendation, Member Clark moved that the Board certify and approve the following entities and person as Key Persons of the licensee:

- 1. Alliance Gaming Corporation;
- 2. Alliance Holding Company;
- 3. Bally Gaming International, Inc.; and
- 4. Robert L. Miodunski.

Further, Member Clark moved that the Board authorize Bally Gaming, Inc. to sell, manufacture or lease the following products in the State of Illinois:

- 1. All S6000 Slot Machines (slants and uprights);
- 2. All V7200 Video Poker Machines;
- 3. All V8700 Electronic Gaming Devices;
- 4. All EVO gaming machines;
- 4. All EVO hybrid machines; and
- 5. Slot data information systems.

Member Dugan seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

ACRES GAMING, INC. – NEW SUPPLIER – Tracey Tricoci, Attorney, was present on behalf of Acres Gaming, Inc. to request a suppliers license.

Based on the staff's investigation and recommendation, Member Clark moved that **the Board** approve the application of Acres Gaming, Inc. for a Supplier's license for a period of one year expiring October 2004.

Further, Member Clark moved that the Board authorize Acres Gaming, Inc. to provide computer monitoring systems to casinos pursuant to the pending requirements set out in the Adopted Rules of the Illinois Gaming Board.

Further, based on the staff's investigation and recommendation, Member Clark moved that the Board certify and approve the following positions and persons as Key Persons of the licensee:

- 1. Chief Executive Officer:
- 2. President/Chief Operating Officer;
- 3. Floyd W. Glisson; and
- 4. Richard J. Schneider.

Occupational Licensees

Based on staff's investigation and recommendation, Member Clark moved that **the Board** approve 71 applications for an Occupational License Level 2 and 205 applications for an Occupational License Level 3.

Further, Member Clark moved that the Board direct the Interim Administrator to issue Notices of Denial to the following two applicants for Level 3 licenses, each of whom previously received notice that staff intended to recommend denial and either did not respond or provide additional information to rebut the recommendation:

- 1. Calvin Meeks; and
- 2. Rogelio Castellanos.

Member Dugan seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Proposed Complaints and Disciplinary Actions

• In Re The Disciplinary Action of William Malone

Based on a review of staff's investigation and recommendation, Member Clark moved that the Board issue a disciplinary complaint against William Malone, a Level 2 Occupational Licensee, for failing to comply with the Riverboat Gambling Act and the Board's Adopted Rules in relation to William Malone's failure to disclose a July 9, 2002 arrest.

Further, Member Clark moved that **the Board revoke William Malone's occupational license. Said action will take affect twenty-one (21) days from the date of service of the Complaint unless the licensee files an answer within that time period.** Member Dugan seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

• In Re The Disciplinary Action of Lorey Potter

Based on the staff's investigation and recommendation, Member Clark moved that the Board issue a Disciplinary Complaint against Lorey Potter, a Level 3 Occupational Licensee, for failing to comply with the Act and Board Rules in relation to her theft of money from her employer, Casino Rock Island.

Further, Member Clark moved that **the Board revoke Lorey Potter's Occupational**License. Said action to take affect twenty-one (21) days from the date of service of this complaint unless the licensee files an Answer within that time period. Member Dugan seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

• In Re The Disciplinary Action of Benito Deluna

Based on the staff's investigation and recommendation, Member Clark moved that the Board issue a Disciplinary Complaint against Benito Deluna, a Level 3 Occupational Licensee, for failing to disclose his June 29, 2001 conviction for Possession of a Controlled Substance in violation of Section 9(d) of the Act and his failure to comply with the Act and Board Rules in relation to his theft of tokens from an EGD located at Casino Rock Island.

Further, Member Clark moved that the Board revoke Mr. Deluna's Occupational License. Said action to take affect twenty-one (21) days from the date of service of this complaint unless the licensee files an Answer within that time period. Member Dugan seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

• In Re The Disciplinary Action of Beth Giovannoni

Based on the staff's investigation and recommendation, Member Clark moved that the Board issue a Disciplinary Complaint against Beth Giovannoni, a Level 3 Occupational Licensee, for failing to comply with the Act and Board Rules in relation to her theft of money from her employer, Hollywood Casino Aurora.

Further, Member Clark moved that the Board revoke Ms. Giovannoni's Occupational License. Said action to take affect twenty-one (21) days from the date of service of this complaint unless the licensee files an Answer within that time period. Member Dugan seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Administrative Hearings

• In Re The Disciplinary Action of Katsuki Manabe and Sigma Game, Inc., DC-03-17

Based on staff's recommendation, Member Clark moved that the Board accept the proposed settlement agreements pertaining to Katuski Manabe and Sigma Game, Inc. and delegate to the Administrator the authority to execute such agreements.

Further, Member Clark moved that the Board authorize legal counsel to present the settlement agreements to Administrative Law Judge Jeffrey Stewart Shapiro for disposition of this matter, in accordance with the terms of the settlement agreements. Member Dugan seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

• In Re The Disciplinary Action of Joshua McCarthy, No. DC-02-01 – Final Order

Based on a thorough review of the record and report of proceedings and evidence before Administrative Law Judge Mary Kennedy in the Matter of Joshua McCarthy, DC-02-01, Member Clark moved that **the Board adopt and issue a Final Order denying the revocation of Joshua McCarthy's level 3 occupational license as the Board's Final Administrative Decision in this matter.**

Further, Member Clark moved that the Board direct the Administrator to provide a copy of the Board's Final Order to the parties and the ALJ, and include therein a notice to Mr. McCarthy of his right to appeal the Board's Final Order to the circuit court within 35 days from the date said Final Order is served. Member Dugan seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

• In Re The Disciplinary Action of Alton Gaming Company d/b/a Alton Belle Casino, DC-03-31

Based on the staff's recommendation, Member Clark moved that the Board accept the proposed settlement agreement between the Board and Alton Belle Casino and delegate to the Administrator the authority to execute such agreement. Member Dugan seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

At 4:20 P.M., pursuant to Section 2 (c), paragraphs (1), (11), and (14) of the Open Meetings Act, Member Clark moved that **the Board retire to Closed Session to discuss the following subject matters:**

- 1. Pending litigation and matters involving probable litigation;
- 2. Investigations concerning applicants and licensees; and
- 3. Personnel matters.

Member Dugan seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

At 5:27 P.M. Member Clark moved that the Board adjourn. Member Dugan seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted, Monica Thomas

Secretary to the Board